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In re the application of  
Shinya MATSUMOTO et al.

U.S. Serial No. 09/658,594

Group Art Unit: 3679

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Examiner: James Hewitt

Title: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR RENDERING IMAGE, RECORDING  
MEDIUM AND PROGRAM

NOTICE TO EXAMINER

The Examiner is advised that in the response filed on March 20, 2003 claim 17 was noted to have been cancelled by mistake on pages 2 and 11 of the response. The claim was in fact amended on page 4 of the response.

The applicants did not intend to cancel claim 17, i.e., the statements on pages 2 and 11 should have indicated only that claims 2-4, 8-10 and 15-16 have been cancelled and that claims 1, 5-7, 11-14, 17-20 and 21-47 are presented for reconsideration. The applicants desire for amended claim 17 appearing in the response to the office action to be fully considered.

This is a simple advisory correspondence to the Examiner and no fees are due herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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